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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee for this application and prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1/through 28.

Please add the following new claims 29 through 31:

(New) An optical disk apparatus for recording or reproduction on an optical disk including a track in which a recording region is wobble-processed, comprising:

optical means for reading information from the optical disk or recording information in the optical disk;

signal generation means for generating a tracking error signal indicating a scanning state of the optical means on the track included in the optical disk by the optical means; extraction means for extracting a wobble signal from the tracking error signal; amplitude detection means for detecting a wobble envelope voltage representing an amplitude of the wobble signal based on the wobble signal extracted by the extraction means;